

## Message Text

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ATHENS FOR RTDO FROM RUAN

E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: BEXP, SA  
SUBJECT: APRIL 78 BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION MISSION

REF: (A) USDOC 4572, (B) USDOC 3247, (C) DHAHRAN 0198, (D) 77  
DHAHRAN 1455

1. PRELIMINARY ARRANGEMENTS FOR 20-24 APRIL DHAHRAN VISIT OF SUBJECT  
MISSION COMPLETED DURING RUAN'S 16-19 MARCH VISIT HERE. POST  
ASSISTANCE MUCH APPRECIATED.

2. MISSION VISIT DETAILS AS FOLLOWS:

A. CONTROL OFFICER: DONAL F. MEYERS, E/C SECTION CHIEF, OFFICE  
PHONE: 43200 EXT 225, HOME PHONE: 43200 EXT 238.

B. HOTEL: AL-GOSAIBI, SULTAN STREET, ALKHOBAR, P.O. BOX 51,  
DHAHRAN AIRPORT, PHONES: 42160 OR 42220 OR 42228 OR 44344 OR 42466,  
TELEX 67008 GOSOTEL SJ, AL-KHOBAR, CABLE AL-GOSAIBI HOTEL. ROOMS  
DIVISION MANAGER TIMOTY CRAIG CONFIRMS TWELVE SINGLES AND  
ONE SUTIE FOR NIGHTS 20-23 APRIL AND IS ADVISED ONE MISSION  
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MEMBER WILL DEPART ON 23 APRIL. ROOM RATES: SINGLE OCCUPANCY  
US \$98, SUITE US \$185, INCLUDING 15 PERCENT SERVICE  
CHARGE. AMEX CREDIT CARD ONLY HONORED. HOTEL WILL NOT ACCEPT  
PERSONAL CHECKS, BUT WILL ACCEPT TRAVELLERS CHECKS AT POOR

EXCHANGE RATE OF 3.16 RIYASL FOR DOLLAR. ACCORDINGLY, POST  
OFFERS TO CASH MISSION MEMBERS TRAVELERS CHECKS FOR OFFICIAL

RATE, NOW STANDING AT 3.45 FOR DOLLAR. HOTEL WILL PRE-REGISTER MEMBERS ON RECEIPT OF REGISTRATION DATA RUAN WILL CABLE POST FROM JIDDA 17 APRIL. CRAIG ADVISES HOTEL HAS RECEIVED NO REQUEST MESSAGE FROM AMEX REGARDING THESE RESERVATIONS. HE DENIED HOTEL WOULD IGNORE ANY SUCH REQUEST MERELY TO AVOID PAYING COMMISSION, BUT COULD OFFER NO EXPLANATION WHY AMEX MESSAGE NOT RECEIVED. CRAIG NOTED THIS WAS THIRD TIME POST HAD ADVISED HIM OF AMEX RESERVATION EFFORTS FOR USDOC MISSIONS WITHOUT RESULT.

C. TRANSPORTATION: POST VEHICLES WILL MOVE MISSION FROM AIRPORT AND TO AND FROM MISSION RECEPTION. AS ALL MISSION APPOINTMENTS WILL BE SCHEDULED IN BIC, NO ADDITIONAL TRANSPORTATION SHALL BE NEEDED. AS MISSION WILL DISBAND HERE 24 APRIL AND MISSION MEMBERS INDIVIDUAL DEPARTURE PLANS UNKNOWN, MEMBERS WILL BE EXPECTED TO ARRANGE FOR OWN TRANSPORTATION TO AIRPORT. POST ADVISES SAUDI FIRMS WOULD PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION FROM MISSION HPXBXRS THEY MAY WISH TO VISIT THEIR OFFICES.

D. BUSINESS INFORMATION CENTER: CONFERENCE ROOM AT AL-GOSAIBI WILL BE USED GRATIS, AS WILL ALL PREVIOUS TRADE MISSIONS IN PAST THREE YEARS. PHONES AVAILABLE. POST WILL PROVIDE SECRETARIAL SERVICE.

E. PRINTING: NO PRODUCT LITERATURE RECEIVED FROM ITC, POWER CURBERS, OR SYMONS, AND INSUFFICIENT SUPPLY RECEIVED FROM BOSTWICK, COLUMBIA MACHINERY, GENERAL ENGINES, AND UNCLASSIFIED

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PACIFIC ROLLER DIE. PLEASE ADVISE ALL THESE FIRMS TO SEND DOZEN SETS EACH AT ONCE TO MEYERS AT AMERICAN CONSULATE GENERAL

APO NEW YORK 09616. BROCHURES ARRIVED SAFELY VIA DHL COURIER SERVICE. POST WILL PRINT 200 BILINGUAL INVITATIONS FOR RECEPTION.

F. RECEPTION: CONGEN ROBERT BUSHNELL WILL HOST MISSION RECEPTION AT HIS HOME ON 22 APRIL 1930-2130.

G. PUBLICITY: POST PAO WILL ADVISE REPORTER FOR ONLY DHAHRAN PAPER OF MISSION VISIT. MEANWHILE, INTERVIEW OF RUAN BY ARAB NEWS REPORTER IN JIDDA APPEARED IN NATIONAL CIRCULATION "SAUDI BUSINESS" THIS WEEK. PAO HERE ADVISES DHAHRAN PAPER PREFERS TO ANNOUNCE VISITING MISSIONS VIA LARGE ADVERTISEMENT. AS COST EXCESSIVE, RUAN REJECTED THIS APPROACH. POST WILL ARRANGE FOR PHOTOGRAPHER.

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H. BUDGET ESTIMATE:

DIRECTOR'S SUTIE (FOUR DAYS AT US \$185)	\$740
TRANSPORTATION OVERTIME	100
PRINTING	75
SECRETARIAL OVERTIME	200
PHOTOGRAPHY	60
HOSPITALITY	600
TOTAL	?"&85

ABOVE ESTIMATE BASED ON PREVIOQGMISION COSTS HERE AND  
ON REF (D) PARA SIX. PLEASE CHANGE REF (A) AUTHORIZATION  
TO REFLECT ABOVE ESTIMATE AND ASSIGN AUTHORIZATION  
DIRECT TO CONGEN DHAHRAN RATHER THAN EMBASSY JIDDA. NOTE  
THAT ABOVE ESTIMATE TOTAL ISVVESS THAN REF (A) AUTHORIZATION  
TOTAL.

3. MISSION SCHEDULE AS FOLLOWS:

A. ARRIVAL: MEYERS AND POST VEHICLES WILL MEET MISSION

FLIGHT SV 738 AT 1650 ON 20 APRIL INBOUD FROM RIYADH. HOTEL  
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CHECKIN AND POST BRIEFING IN DIRECTOR'S SUITE WILL FOLLOW.

B. 21 APRIL: FREE WEEKEND DAY. POST WILL LOOK INTO POSSIBILITY  
OF MISSION BUS TRIP TO JUBAIL, IF MEMBERS INTERESTED AND WILLING  
TO SHARE EXPENSE OF BUS AND DRIVER.

C. 22 APRIL: INDIVIDUAL MISSION MEMBER APPOINTMENTS 0900-1700  
IN BIC. MISSION RECEPTION 1930-2130. POST ASSURES FULL  
SLATE OF APPOINTMENTS FOR MISSION MEMBERS.

D. 23 APRIL: INDIVIDUAL APPOINTMENTS 0900-1800 IN BIC. MISSION  
WRAPUP SESSION 2000-2100 IN DIRECTOR'S SUITE.

E. 24 APRIL: MISSION TERMINATION AND DEPARTURE. RUAN WILL DEPART  
0955 ON ME 443 FOR PARIS.

4. RUAN DEPARTS DHAHRAN 19 MARCH 1035 ON GF 104 FOR MANAMA  
CONNECTING WITH UT 543 FOR PARIS AT 1255. WILL LEAVE PARIS  
20 MARCH ON TW 891 AT 1245 AND RERSRN TO OFFICE 21 MARCH.  
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